CITY OF ROANOKE, VIRGINIA GENERAL CONDITIONS

SECTION 1. DEFINITIONS

Whenever used in these General Conditions or in the Contract Documents, the following terms have the meanings indicated, which are applicable to both the singular and plural and the male and female gender thereof, and where applicable to any other legal entity such as a corporation, partnership, limited liability company, etc.

The section and paragraph headings are inserted for convenience only.

Architect, Engineer, Architect/Engineer or A/E: The term used to designate the Architect and/or the Engineer who contracts with the City to provide the Architectural and Engineering services for the project. The Architect/Engineer is a separate Contractor and is referred to herein as the Architect/Engineer or abbreviated as A/E. The term includes any associates or consultants employed by the firm to assist in providing the A/E services.

<u>Bidder</u>: The person, firm, corporation, or other entity interested in submitting a bid for the Work to be performed.

<u>Change Order</u>: A document issued by City on or after the effective date of the Contract which is agreed to by the Contractor and approved by the City, and which authorizes an addition, deletion, or revision in the Work, including any adjustment in the Contract Price and/or the Contract Time.

City or Owner: The City of Roanoke, Virginia, or its authorized representative.

<u>City Code</u>: Refers to the Code of the City of Roanoke (1979), as amended.

<u>City Designee</u>: The City of Roanoke's authorized representative.

<u>City Manager</u>: The City Manager or his authorized representative.

<u>Code of Virginia</u>: Refers to the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended. (Sometimes referred to as Va. Code or Virginia Code.)

<u>Contract Documents</u>: These documents include, but are not limited to, the Project Manual, Invitation to Bid, the Instructions to Bidders, the Bid Form, the Contract, the Bonds or other Bid Security, the Escrow Agreement, the General Conditions, Supplementary General Conditions, Special Conditions, the Specifications, Addenda or Change Orders, the Plans and Drawings, any Supplemental Drawings, and any additional documents incorporated by reference in the above.

<u>Contract</u>: The written agreement between the parties concerning the performance of the Work and consisting of the Contract Documents.

<u>Contractor</u>: The person, firm, corporation, or other entity entering into a contractual agreement with the City to perform the Work.

<u>Defect, Defective, or Deficient</u>: An adjective or noun which when modifying or referring to the word Work refers to Work or any part thereof that is unsatisfactory, faulty, or does not conform to the Contract Documents, or does not meet the requirements of any inspections, standards, tests, or approvals referred to in the Contract Documents.

Document(s): This term includes, but is not limited to: writings, drawings, items on which words, symbols, or marks are recorded; electronic data of any type; videotapes, recordings, photographs and negatives, digital or otherwise; and any other form of data, writing, or information compilation, however recorded or stored, and regardless of physical form or characteristics.

<u>Field Order</u>: A written order issued by City which clarifies the requirements of the Contract by giving a more complete expression of the drawings or specifications or other documents without any change in the design, the Contract price, or the Contract time.

<u>Final Acceptance</u>: The City's acceptance of the project from the Contractor upon confirmation from City and the Contractor that the project is apparently complete in accordance with the Contract requirements.

<u>Notice</u>: All written notices, demands, instructions, claims, approvals, and disapprovals required to obtain compliance with the Contract requirements. Any written notice by either party to the Contract shall be sufficiently given if delivered to or at the last known business address of the person, firm, or corporation constituting the party to the Contract, or to his, her, their, or its authorized agent, representative, or officer.

<u>Notice to Proceed</u>: A written notice given by the City at the City's discretion to the Contractor fixing the date on which the Contract time will commence for the Contractor to begin the prosecution of the Work in accordance with the requirements of the Contract Documents.

<u>Project Inspector</u>: One or more individuals employed by the City to inspect the Work and/or to act as Resident Inspector to the extent required by the City. The City shall notify the Contractor of the appointment of such Project Inspector(s).

<u>Provide</u>: Shall mean to furnish and install ready for its intended use.

<u>Subcontractor</u>: A person, firm, partnership, corporation, or other entity having a direct contract with the Contractor or with any other Subcontractor for the performance of the Work. It includes one who provides on-site labor, but does not include one who only furnishes or supplies material for the project.

<u>Submittals</u>: All drawings, diagrams, illustrations, brochures, schedules, samples, electronic data and other data required by the Contract Documents which are specifically prepared by or for the Contractor, Subcontractor, or Supplier, and submitted by the Contractor to illustrate the material, equipment, or layouts, or some other portion of the Work.

<u>Substantial Completion</u>: The date certified by City when construction is sufficiently complete, in accordance with the Contract Documents, so the City can occupy or utilize the Work or designated portion thereof for the purposes for which it is intended.

Successful Bidder: The bidder to whom the City makes an award.

Supplier: A manufacturer, fabricator, distributor, material man, or vendor who provides only material or supplies for the project, but does not provide on-site labor.

<u>Work or Project</u>: The entire completed construction or the various separately identifiable parts thereof as required by the Contract Documents. Work is the result of performing services, furnishing labor, and furnishing and incorporating material and equipment into the construction.

SECTION 2. INDEMNITY PROVISION

- **2.1 Indemnity:** Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless City and its officers, agents, and employees against any and all liability, losses, damages, claims, causes of action, suits of any nature, costs, and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, resulting from or arising out of Contractor's or its employees, agents, or subcontractors actions, activities, or omissions, negligent or otherwise, on or near City's property or easement or arising in any way out of or resulting from any of the work to be provided under this Contract, and this includes, without limitation, any fines or penalties, violations of federal, state, or local laws or regulations, personal injury, wrongful death, or property damage claims or suits, breach of contract claims, indemnity claims, and any other damages, losses, and/or claims of any type.
- 2.2 Hazardous Material: While on City's property or easement and in its performance of this Contract, Contractor shall not transport, dispose of or release any hazardous substance, material, or waste, except as necessary in performance of its Work under this Contract and in any event Contractor shall comply with all federal, state, and local laws, rules, regulations, and ordinances controlling air, water, noise, solid wastes, and other pollution, and relating to the storage, transport, release, or disposal of hazardous material, substances or waste. Regardless of City's acquiescence, Contractor shall indemnify and hold City, it officers, agents, and employees harmless from all costs, claims, damages, causes of action, liabilities, fines or penalties, including reasonable attorney's fees, resulting from Contractor's violation of this paragraph and agrees to reimburse City for all costs and expenses incurred by City in eliminating or remedying such violations. Contractor also agrees to reimburse City and hold City, its officers, agents, and employees harmless from any and all costs, expenses, attorney's fees and all penalties or civil judgments obtained against the City as a result of Contractor's use or release of any hazardous substance or waste onto the

ground, or into the water or air from or upon City's premises. (See also Section 13.2 of these General Conditions.)

2.3 Patents: The Contractor shall protect, indemnify, and hold harmless the City from any and all demands for fees, claims, suits, actions, causes of action, or judgments based on the alleged infringement or violation of any patent, invention, article, trademark, arrangement, or other apparatus that may be used in the performance of the Contract or the Work.

SECTION 3. LAWS, REGULATIONS, PERMITS, AND IMMIGRATION LAW

- 3.1 Regulations: The Contractor shall fully comply with all local, state, and federal ordinances, laws, and regulations, including without limitation all applicable building and fire code sections of the Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA), and the Virginia Uniform Statewide Building Code, and obtain all required licenses and permits, including business license, building permits, and pay all charges and expenses connected therewith. Contractor further agrees that Contractor does not, and shall not during the performance of this Contract; knowingly employ an unauthorized alien as defined in the federal Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986.
- **3.2 Permits:** The Contractor shall, at its sole cost, obtain all required permits from the appropriate authorities, including the City of Roanoke. This includes, but is not limited to, all permits for any excavations in any public right-of-way. No delay or extension of time or any claim for additional compensation of any type shall be granted for failure to obtain any required permits.
- **3.3 Litter:** In accordance with the Virginia Anti-Litter Law, receptacles sufficient to contain workmen's litter and construction wastes capable of being spread by wind or water shall be located on the construction site. The number and size of receptacles required shall be determined by the Contractor.
- 3.4 Asbestos License: The Contractor, if not licensed as an asbestos abatement contractor or a Roofing, Flooring, and Siding (RFS) contractor in accordance with Section 54.1-514, of the Code of Virginia, shall have all asbestos related work performed by subcontractors who are duly licensed as asbestos contractors or RFS contractors as appropriate for the work required.

SECTION 4. CONTRACTOR'S AND SUBCONTRACTOR'S INSURANCE

Neither the Contractor nor any subcontractor shall commence work under this Contract until the Contractor has obtained and provided proof of the required insurance under this Section to the City. The Contractor confirms that all subcontractors have provided the Contractor with proof of insurance. Contractor further warrants that proof of coverage as provided to the City responds on a primary basis in the event of an uninsured or underinsured subcontractor. All such insurance shall be primary and non-contributory to any insurance or self-insurance the City may have in force.

4.1 For All Contracts, the following minimum insurance requirements apply:

a. Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability:

The Contractor shall obtain and maintain the following limits:

Workers' Compensation: Statutory

Employers' Liability: \$100,000 bodily injury by accident each occurrence

\$500,000 bodily injury by disease (policy limit)

\$100,000 bodily injury by disease each employee

b. Commercial General Liability:

Coverage is to be written on an "occurrence" basis and such coverage shall include broad form extension endorsements for both liability and property damage.

Completed Operations coverage will be required to be maintained for the life of the Contract.

For Limits of Liability see Sections 4.2 and 4.3 of these General Conditions.

c. <u>Automobile Liability</u>:

Limits for vehicles owned, non-owned, hired or borrowed shall not be less than:

 \$1,000,000 Bodily Injury and Property Damage combined single limit per occurrence.

d. Additional Insurance Requirements:

Additional specific insurance coverage minimum requirements to be provided by Contractor may include the following as detailed in the Supplemental General Conditions:

- Builders Risk: At the discretion of the City, the Contractor, at its cost, shall obtain and maintain in the names of the City and the Contractor "all-risk" builders risk insurance (if approved by the City) upon the entire structure or structures on which the Work of this Contract is to be done and upon all material in or adjacent thereto or those that are "off-site" but which are intended for use thereon, to one hundred percent (100%) of the completed value thereof.
- 2) Property Coverage: Installation Floater (and Rigger's Form, if applicable) will be required for the installation of contents or equipment; coverage will begin with supplier and continue until equipment/contents have been fully

- installed. Floater will be valued for the replacement cost value of equipment/contents including all costs. The Contractor shall provide coverage for portions of the work stored off-site after written approval of the City at the value established in the approval and for portions of the work in transit.
- Special Hazards: In the event special hazards are evident in the work contemplated, or if required by the Contract Documents, the Contractor shall obtain and maintain during the life of the Contract a rider to the policy or policies required, in an amount not less than that stipulated under the above Paragraphs. Should any unexpected special hazards be encountered during the performance of this Contract, the Contractor shall, prior to performing any work involving the special hazard, immediately obtain this insurance as instructed by the City. In the event the special hazard requiring the additional coverage was not a part of the original bid, the expense of such insurance shall be reimbursed to the Contractor by the City, otherwise the Contractor shall assume full responsibility for the purchase with no charge back to the City.
- 4) <u>Deductible</u>: Deductible/self-insured retention amounts shall be reduced or eliminated upon written request from City. The insurer's cost of defense (and appeal), including attorney's fees, shall not be included within the coverages provided but shall remain the insurer's responsibility.
- 5) <u>Term</u>: Insurance shall remain in effect until final payment and at all times thereafter when Contractor may be correcting, removing, or replacing defective work.
- 6) <u>Limit of Liability</u>: Nothing contained in these insurance requirements is to be construed as limiting the liability of Contractor or Contractor's insurance carriers. City does not in any way represent that the coverage's or the limits of insurance specified is sufficient or adequate to protect Contractor's interests or liabilities, but are merely minimums. The obligation of the Contractor to purchase insurance herein shall not in any way limit the obligation of the Contractor in any event and/or in the event that the City should suffer an injury or loss in excess of the amount recoverable through insurance.
- **4.2 Contracts of \$100,000 or More:** The following minimum insurance requirements apply in addition to the above requirements:
- **a.** <u>Limits of Liability</u>: For the Commercial General Liability policy:
 - \$2,000,000 general aggregate
 - \$1,000,000 products/completed operations aggregate
 - \$1,000,000 personal and advertising injury

• \$1,000,000 each occurrence

Coverage is to be written on an "occurrence" and "per project" basis and such coverage shall include:

b. <u>Umbrella Liability Insurance:</u>

This coverage shall be written for minimum limit of:

• \$5,000,000 each occurrence for Personal and Bodily Injury and Property Damage

This Policy shall apply in excess and follow form of employer's liability, commercial general liability, and auto liability.

- **4.3 Contracts Less Than \$100,000:** The following minimum insurance limits apply unless specified otherwise in the Supplemental General Conditions:
 - **a.** <u>Limits of Liability</u>: For the Commercial General Liability policy:
 - \$1,000,000 general aggregate
 - \$1,000,000 products/completed operations aggregate
 - \$1,000,000 personal and advertising injury
 - \$1,000,000 each occurrence
- **4.4 Proof of Insurance Coverage:** The policies of insurance required by Sections 4.1, 4.2, or 4.3 shall be purchased from a reputable insurer licensed to do business in Virginia and maintained for the life of the Contract by the Contractor. Other insurance requirements include the following:
 - **a.** The Contractor shall furnish the City with the required certificates of insurance showing the insurer, type of insurance, policy number, policy term, deductible, and the amount insured for property coverage's and the limits for liability coverage's.
 - b. The Contractor shall notify City and Risk Manager in writing within thirty (30) consecutive calendar days if any of the insurance coverage's or policies are cancelled or materially altered and Contractor shall immediately replace such policies and provide documentation of such to City and Risk Manager.
 - c. The required insurance policies and coverages, excluding those for Workers Compensation and Professional Liability, shall name the City of Roanoke, its officers, agents, volunteers and employees as additional insured's and the certificate of insurance shall show if the policies provide such coverage. Waiver of subrogation is required with respect to any policy of workers' compensation and employers' liability insurance required under this Section. The certificate of insurance shall show if the policies provide such waiver. Additional insured and waiver endorsements shall be

- received by the City's Risk Manager from the insurer with the certificate of insurance unless the City's Risk Manager agrees to another process. The City's Risk Manager may approve other documentation of such insurance coverages.
- d. Insurance coverage shall be in a form and with an insurance company approved by the City which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld. Any insurance company providing coverage under this Contract shall be authorized to do business in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

SECTION 5. EMPLOYMENT AND CONDUCT OF PERSONNEL

- **5.1 City Residents:** Pursuant to the provisions of Resolution Number 10610 of the Roanoke City Council it is required that in the employment of labor, on work performed for the City, that the Contractor shall give preference to residents of the City and give secondary preference to residents of the area within a radius of fifty (50) miles of the City, when such labor is available.
- **5.2 Employee Qualifications:** Only skilled and reliable workers shall be employed for the Work. Should any person employed on the Work by the Contractor appear to City to be incompetent, unable to perform the Work, or disorderly, such person shall be removed from the Work immediately upon proper notice to the Contractor from City and such person shall not again be used for this Contract.
- **5.3 Superintendence:** The Contractor shall have a competent foreman or superintendent, satisfactory to City, on the jobsite at all times during the progress of the Work. The Contractor shall notify the City, in writing, of any proposed change in the foreman or superintendent including the reason therefore prior to making such change.
- **5.4 Drug-free Workplace:** During the performance of this Contract, the Contractor agrees to (i) provide a drug-free workplace for the Contractor's employees; (ii) post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of a controlled substance or marijuana is prohibited in the Contractor's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition; (iii) state in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor that the Contractor maintains a drug-free workplace; and (iv) include the provisions of the foregoing clauses in every subcontract or purchase order over \$10,000, so that the provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor.

For the purpose of this section, "drug-free workplace" means a site for the performance of work done in connection with a specific contract awarded to a Contractor, the employees of who are prohibited from engaging in the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, dispensation, possession or use of any controlled substance or marijuana during the performance of the Contract.

The Contractor shall post a copy of the policy in a conspicuous place at the jobsite and assure that all Contractor, subcontractor, and supplier personnel entering the jobsite are informed of the policy.

SECTION 6. EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION BY CONTRACTOR PROHIBITED

Every Contract of over \$10,000 to which the City is a party shall contain the provisions in Sections 6.1 and 6.2 herein:

- **6.1 Nondiscrimination:** During the performance of this Contract, the Contractor agrees as follows:
 - a. The Contractor will not discriminate against any Subcontractor, employee, or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, sex, national origin, age, disability, or any other basis prohibited by State law relating to discrimination in employment, except where there is a bona fide occupational qualification reasonably necessary to the normal operation of the Contractor. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
 - b. The Contractor, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, will state that such Contractor is an equal employment opportunity employer.
 - **c.** Notices, advertisements, and solicitations placed in accordance with federal law, rule, or regulation shall be deemed sufficient for the purpose of meeting the requirements of this section.
- **6.2 Nondiscrimination by Subcontractor or Vendor:** The Contractor will include the provisions of the foregoing Subsections 6.1 (a), (b), and (c) in every subcontract or purchase order of over \$10,000, so that the provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor.

SECTION 7. SUBCONTRACTORS

- 7.1 Licensure: The Contractor shall comply with Title 54.1, Chapter 11, of the Code of Virginia, with respect to licensure of itself and all subcontractors employed to work on the project. The Contractor represents that it has verified that all subcontractors hold all required state and local licenses, including State Contractor's license and City business license. The Contractor shall verify that any additional subcontractors employed to work on the project, subsequent to the initial verification, hold all required state and local licenses, including State Contractor's license and City business license. The Contractor is required to submit the Contractor's Certification as to Licensure of Subcontractors Form to City. This constitutes a material part of the Contractor's Contract with the City.
- **7.2 Change of Subcontractors:** Subcontractors shall not be changed without the written approval of City.

7.3 Responsibility for Subcontractors: The Contractor shall not employ for the project any subcontractor that the City may, within a reasonable time, object to as unsuitable. The Contractor further agrees that it is as fully responsible to the City for the acts and omissions of its subcontractors, suppliers, and invitees on the jobsite and of persons either directly or indirectly employed by them, as the Contractor is for the acts and omissions of persons directly employed by it.

SECTION 8. CONDITIONS AT SITE

- **8.1 Existing Conditions:** The Contractor shall have visited the site prior to bidding and is responsible for having ascertained pertinent local conditions such as location, accessibility, and general character of the site, and the character and extent of existing improvements and work within or adjacent to the site. Claims as a result of failure to have done so will not be considered by the City and will be the sole responsibility of the Contractor.
- 8.2 Hidden Conditions: If, in the performance of the Contract, hidden physical conditions of a building being modified are exposed revealing unusual or materially different conditions than those ordinarily encountered or inherent in work of this nature, or if subsurface or latent conditions at the site are found which are materially different from those frequently present in the locality, from those indicated in the Contract Documents, or from those inherent in work of the character required by the Contract, the Contractor must report such conditions to City before the conditions are disturbed. Upon such notice, or upon his own observation of such conditions, City will make such changes in the Contract Documents as he finds necessary to conform to the different conditions. Any change in the cost of the Work or the time needed for completion must be requested pursuant to Section 19 of these General Conditions.
- **8.3** Suspected Hazardous Material: If the Contractor, during the course of the project, observes the existence of any material which it suspects or knows to be hazardous to human health or the environment, the Contractor shall promptly notify City. City will provide the Contractor with instructions regarding the situation. The Contractor shall not perform any work involving the material or any work causing the material to be less accessible prior to receipt of special instructions from City.

SECTION 9. SURVEYS AND LAYOUT

9.1 Surveying Services: All necessary drawings showing the location of property lines, buildings, and other appropriate information shall be furnished to the Contractor through the drawings and specifications. The Contractor shall provide competent surveying and engineering services to verify the given information and to execute the Work in accordance with the Contract requirements and shall be responsible for the accuracy of Contractor's surveying and engineering services. The Contractor shall immediately notify City of any discrepancies and confirm such notice in writing within five (5) calendar days.

- 9.2 Survey Control: Such general reference points and bench marks on the building site as will enable the Contractor to proceed with the Work will be established in the drawings and specifications. If the Contractor finds that any previously established reference points have been lost or destroyed, Contractor shall promptly notify City.
- 9.3 Damage to Survey Control: The Contractor shall protect and preserve the established bench marks and monuments and shall make no changes in locations without written notice to and approval from City. Any of these which may be lost or destroyed or which require shifting because of necessary changes in grades or locations shall, subject to prior approval from City, be replaced and accurately located by the Contractor.

SECTION 10. DRAWINGS AND SPECIFICATIONS

- 10.1 Drawings and Specifications: The general character and scope of the Work are illustrated by the drawings and specifications. Where on any of the drawings a portion of the Work is drawn out and the remainder is indicated in outline, the parts drawn out shall apply also to all other like portions of the Work. If the Contractor deems additional detail or information to be needed, Contractor may request the same in writing from City. The Contractor shall carry out the Work in accordance with the drawings and specifications and any additional detail drawings and instructions as issued by City. However, Contractor shall immediately notify City of any discrepancies in such drawings and/or specifications and confirm such notice in writing within five (5) calendar days.
- **10.2 Discrepancies in Drawings:** In case of difference between small and large scale drawings, the large scale drawings shall govern, unless otherwise directed in writing by City.
- **10.3** "Similar": Where the word "similar" appears on the drawings, it shall be interpreted in its general sense and not as meaning identical, and all details shall be worked out in relation to their location and their connection with other parts of the Work.
- 10.4 Division of Specifications: The specifications are divided into several parts for convenience only, since the entire specifications must be considered as a whole. The divisions of the specifications are not intended to control the Contractor in dividing the work among subcontractors or to limit the work performed by any trade. The Contractor shall be responsible for the coordination of the trades, subcontractors, and vendors engaged upon this Work.
- 10.5 Dimension Accuracy: Measurements or dimensions shown on the drawings for site features, utilities, and structures shall be verified at the site by the Contractor. The location of underground utilities indicated on the plans is diagrammatic and were plotted from available records and field survey information and shall be considered approximate only, and the City makes no representations with regard to their accuracy. The Contractor shall not scale

measurements or dimensions from the drawings. Where there are discrepancies, City shall be consulted. Where new work is to connect to, match with, or be provided for existing work, the Contractor shall verify the actual existing conditions and related dimensions prior to ordering or fabrication, so that such new work will properly fit with existing work.

- 10.6 As-Built Drawings: The Contractor shall maintain at the site for the City one copy of all drawings, specifications, addenda, approved shop or setting drawings, change orders, field deviations, and other documents or modifications (referred to herein as "As-Built Drawings") in good order and marked to record all changes as they occur during construction. These shall be available to City, the Project Inspector, and the City's testing personnel. These "As-Built Drawings" shall be neatly and clearly marked in color during construction to record all variations from the drawings made during construction. The representation of such variations shall include such supplementary notes, symbols, legends, documents, and details as may be necessary to clearly show the as-built construction.
- **10.7 Record Drawings:** Upon completion of the Work and prior to Final Acceptance, the Contractor shall deliver to City, for preparation of the Record Drawings, one complete set of "As-Built Drawings" and documents referred to in Section 10.6.

SECTION 11. SCHEDULE OF THE WORK

- 11.1 Scheduling: The Contractor is responsible for the sequencing, scheduling, and coordinating of the Work, for monitoring the progress of the Work, and for taking appropriate action to keep the Work on schedule. The Contractor is responsible for coordinating Contractor's work on the Project with any other work being carried on by the City or by other City consultants or contractors at the site or for the Project. The Contractor shall prepare and submit to City a schedule for accomplishing the Work based upon the completion time stated in the Contract and submit such to City at the pre-construction conference. No progress payments will be made to the Contractor until after Contractor has submitted a schedule which is acceptable to City. All schedules under Section 11 shall be in both paper and electronic form unless otherwise directed by City.
- 11.2 Progress: The Contractor shall review the progress of the Work not less than each month, but as often as necessary to properly manage the project and stay on schedule. The Contractor shall collect and preserve information on Change Orders, including extensions of time. The Contractor shall evaluate this information and update the schedule monthly to finish within the contractually allowed time. The Contractor shall submit the updated schedule with each progress payment request. The scheduled completion date shall be within the period of time allowed by the Contract for completion of construction, except as amended by any Change Orders.
- **11.3 Delay and Recovery Schedule:** Should there be any delay; City may require the Contractor to prepare, at no extra cost to the City, a plan of action and a recovery schedule for completing the Work by the contractual completion date.

The plan of action and recovery schedule shall explain and display how the Contractor intends to regain compliance with the original schedule. The plan of action and recovery schedule, when required, shall be submitted and approved by City prior to Contractor's submission of the next monthly construction estimate. The City may withhold progress payments until such schedule is submitted and approved.

SECTION 12. CONSTRUCTION SUPERVISION

The Contractor shall be solely responsible to supervise and direct the Work competently and efficiently, devoting such attention thereto and applying such skills and expertise as may be necessary to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract. The Contractor shall be solely responsible for the means, methods, techniques, sequences, and procedures of construction. The Contractor is solely responsible to the City that the finished Work complies with the Contract Documents. The Contractor shall be solely responsible for health and safety precautions and programs for workers and others in connection with the Work. No inspection by, knowledge on the part of, or acquiescence by the City, or any other entity whatever shall relieve the Contractor from its sole responsibility for compliance with the requirements of the Contract or responsibility for health and safety programs and precautions.

SECTION 13. STANDARDS FOR MATERIAL INSTALLATION AND WORKMANSHIP

- 13.1 Material and Equipment: Unless otherwise specifically provided in this Contract, all equipment, material, and accessories incorporated in the Work are to be new and in first class condition. The Contractor shall furnish to City for approval the name of the manufacturer, the model number, and other identifying data and information respecting the performance, capacity, nature, and rating of the machinery and mechanical and other equipment which the Contractor contemplates incorporating in the Work. Machinery, equipment, material, and articles installed or used without required approval may be subject to subsequent rejection by the City.
- 13.2 Hazardous Substances: Unless specifically approved by the City or required by the specifications, the Contractor shall not incorporate any material into the Work containing asbestos or any material known by the Contractor to contain a substance known to be hazardous to health when the building and/or site is occupied by the City. If the Contractor becomes aware that a material required by the specifications contains asbestos or other hazardous substances, it shall notify the City and City immediately and shall take no further steps to acquire or install any such material without first obtaining City approval. (See also Sections 2.2 and 8.3 of these General Conditions.)
- 13.3 Workmanship: The workmanship shall be of the highest quality found in the building industry in every respect. All items of Work shall be done by workmen skilled in the particular task to which they are assigned. In the acceptance or rejection of work, no allowance will be made for lack of skill on the part of workmen. Poor or inferior workmanship (as determined by City, the City, or other

inspecting authorities) shall be removed and replaced to conform to the highest quality standards of the trades concerned, or otherwise corrected to the satisfaction of City, the City, or other inspecting authority all at the Contractor's sole expense.

- 13.4 Instructions for Installation: Under the various sections of the specifications, where specified items are supplied with the manufacturer's printed instructions, recommendations, or directions for installation, or where such instructions, recommendations, or directions are available, installation of the specified items shall be in strict accordance with the manufacturer's printed instructions unless those instructions contradict the drawings or specifications, in which case City will be notified by Contractor for an interpretation and decision.
- 13.5 Installation Procedures Without Instructions: Where neither the manufacturer's printed instructions are available for installation of specific items, nor are specific code or standards given by reference to govern the installation of specific items; and where there is doubt concerning the installation procedures to be followed or the quality of workmanship to be maintained in the installation of specific items, the Contractor shall consult City for approval of the installation procedures Contractor proposes to follow or the specific standards governing the quality of workmanship Contractor proposes to maintain during the installation of the items in question.
- 13.6 Codes and Standards: Under the various sections of the specifications, where reference is made to specific codes or standards governing the installation of specified items, installation shall in all cases be in strict accordance with the referenced codes and standards. Where no reference is made to specific codes or standards, installation shall conform to the generally recognized applicable standards for first-class installation of the specific item to be installed. Contractors are expected to be proficient and skilled in their respective trades and knowledgeable of the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), the current edition of the Virginia Uniform Statewide Building Code (USBC) and its referenced technical codes and standards, Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA) and other codes and standards applicable to installations and associated work by its trade and/or that are applicable to the Work.

SECTION 14. SUBMITTALS

14.1 General: The Contractor shall submit for the approval of City all submittals required by the specifications or requested by City. All such submissions shall be made with such promptness as to cause no delay in this or any other part of the project, and to allow reasonable time for checking, correcting, resubmitting, and re-correcting. No part of the Work dealt with by a submittal shall be fabricated by the Contractor, save at Contractor's own risk, until such approval has been given. The Contractor shall maintain one (1) set of approved submittals at the jobsite at all times.

- 14.2 Format: Submittals shall be made in such number of copies that two (2) approved copies may be retained by City. Each submission shall be accompanied by a letter of transmittal listing the contents of the submission and identifying each item by reference to specification section or drawings. All submittals shall be clearly labeled with the name of the project and other necessary information. Catalog plates and other similar material that cannot be so labeled conveniently, shall be bound in suitable covers bearing the identifying data.
- 14.3 Supporting Material: Submittals shall be accompanied by all required certifications and other such supporting material and documents, and shall be submitted in such sequence or in such groups that all related items may be checked together. When submittals cannot be checked because the submission is not complete, or because submittals on related items have not been received, then such submittals will be returned without action or will be held, not checked, until the material which was lacking is received.
- 14.4 Coordination: Submittals shall have been reviewed by the Contractor and coordinated with all other related or affected work before they are submitted for approval, and shall bear the Contractor's certification that it has checked and approved them as complying with the information given in the Contract Documents. Submittals made without such certification and coordination will be returned to the Contractor without action, and will not be considered a formal submission. The Contractor shall be responsible for checking all dimensions and coordinating all material and trades to ensure that the material proposed will fit in the space available and be compatible with other material provided.
- 14.5 Variations: If the submittals show variations from the Contract Documents because of standard shop practice or other reasons, the Contractor shall make specific mention of such variation in Contractor's letter of transmittal in order that, if acceptable, suitable action may be taken for proper adjustment; otherwise the Contractor will not be relieved of the responsibility for executing the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents even though such submittals have been approved.
- 14.6 "Or Equal": The drawings and/or specifications may indicate that City designed or detailed a portion of the plans around a particular product (most commonly a piece of equipment). Should a different product be proposed by the Contractor and accepted, all modifications, rerouting, relocations, and variations required for proper installation and coordination to comply with the design concept and requirements of the Contract Documents shall be the sole responsibility of the Contractor and shall be made at no extra cost to the City. This naming of a particular product, around which the plans were designed or detailed, is not intended to preclude the use of other products or favor the product named when a "brand name or equal" specification has been used. (See also Section 10 of Instructions to Bidders.) Rather it is only intended to acknowledge the reality that in many instances City must design around the dimensions and characteristics of a particular product.

- 14.7 Review by City: City will review and respond to the submittals within fourteen (14) calendar days. Checking and/or approval of submittals will be for general conformance with the design concept of the project and compliance with the information given in the Contract Documents, and will not include verification of quantities, detailed dimensions, nor adjustments of dimensions to actual field conditions. Approval shall not be construed as permitting any departure from Contract requirements, authorizing any increase in price or time for completion or relieving the Contractor of the responsibility for any error in details, dimensions, or otherwise that may exist.
- **14.8** The Work shall be in accordance with approved submittals.

SECTION 15. INSPECTION AND INDEPENDENT TESTING

15.1 Inspection and Testing: All material and workmanship shall be subject to inspection, examination, and testing by City at any and all times during manufacture and/or construction. City shall have authority to reject defective material and workmanship and require its correction. Rejected workmanship shall be satisfactorily corrected and rejected material shall be satisfactorily replaced with proper material without charge therefore, and the Contractor shall promptly segregate and remove the rejected material from the premises. If the Contractor fails to proceed at once with replacement of rejected material and/or the correction of defective workmanship, the City may, by contract or otherwise, replace such material and/or correct such workmanship and charge the cost to the Contractor, and/or may terminate the right of the Contractor to proceed as provided in Sections 26 or 27 of these General Conditions, the Contractor and surety being liable for any damage to the same extent as provided for in those Sections.

15.2 Payment for Inspection, Testing, and Certification:

- a. Jobsite inspections, tests conducted on site, or tests of material gathered on site which the Contract requires to be performed by independent testing entities shall be contracted and paid for by the City. The Contractor shall promptly furnish, without additional charge, all reasonable facilities, labor, and material necessary for making such tests. Except as provided in Section 15.3 below, whenever such examination and testing finds defective material, equipment, or workmanship, the Contractor shall reimburse the City for the cost of reexamination and retesting.
- b. Although conducted by independent testing entities, the City will not contract and pay for tests or certifications of material, manufactured products or assemblies which the Contract, codes, standards, etc. require to be tested and/or certified for compliance with industry standards such as Underwriters Laboratories, Factory Mutual or ASTM. If there are any fees to be paid for such tests and certifications, they shall be paid by the Contractor.

- **c.** The Contractor shall also pay for all inspections, tests, and certifications which the Contract specifically requires it to perform or pay, together with any inspections and tests which it chooses to perform for its own quality control purposes.
- 15.3 Examination of Completed Work: Should it be considered necessary or advisable by City at any time before final acceptance of the entire Work to make an examination of any part of the Work already completed, by removing or tearing out portions of the Work, the Contractor shall on request promptly furnish all necessary facilities, labor, and material to expose the Work to be tested to the extent required. If such Work is found to be defective in any respect, due to the fault of the Contractor or its Subcontractors, Contractor shall pay for all the expenses of uncovering the Work, of examination and testing, and of satisfactory reconstruction. If, however, such Work is found to meet the requirements of the Contract, the actual cost of the Contractor's labor and material necessarily involved in uncovering the Work, the cost of examination and testing and Contractor's cost of material and labor necessary for replacement shall be paid to the Contractor and it shall, in addition, if completion of the Work has been delayed thereby, be granted a suitable extension of time.
- **15.4 Suspension of Work:** The City may suspend the Work when in its judgment the drawings and specifications are not being followed. Any such suspension shall be issued in writing and continued only until the matter in question is resolved to the satisfaction of the City. The cost of any such Work stoppage shall be borne by the Contractor unless it is later determined that no fault existed in the Contractor's Work.
- **15.5 Project Inspector:** Failure of the Project Inspector to note or require correction of improper or defective work does not relieve the Contractor from its responsibility to correct such improper or defective work. The Project Inspector has no authority to and shall not:
 - **a.** Enter into the area of responsibility of the Contractor's superintendent;
 - **b.** Issue directions relative to any aspect of construction means, methods, techniques, sequences or procedures, or in regard to safety precautions and programs in connection with the Work;
 - **c.** Authorize or suggest that the City occupy the project, in whole or in part; or
 - **d.** Issue a certificate for payment.

SECTION 16. USE OF PREMISES AND REMOVAL OF DEBRIS

16.1 Jobsite Coordination: The Contractor shall perform the Contract in such a manner as not to interrupt or interfere with the operation of any existing activity on the premises or with the work of any other contractor.

- **16.2 Storage of Material:** The Contractor shall store apparatus, material, supplies, and equipment in such orderly fashion at the site of the Work as will not unduly interfere with the progress of its Work or the work of any other contractor.
- 16.3 Jobsite Appearance: The Contractor expressly undertakes, either directly or through its Subcontractor(s), to clean up frequently all refuse, rubbish, scrap material, and debris caused by his operations, to the end that at all times the jobsite shall present a neat, orderly, and workmanlike appearance. No such refuse, rubbish, scrap material, and debris shall be left within the completed Work nor buried on the building site, but shall be properly protected and removed from the site and properly disposed of in a licensed landfill or otherwise as required by law.
- 16.4 Final Cleaning: The Contractor expressly undertakes, either directly or through its Subcontractor(s), before final payment, to remove all surplus material, false work, temporary structures, including foundations thereof, and debris of every nature resulting from its operations and to put the site in a neat, orderly condition, to thoroughly clean and leave reasonably dust free all finished surfaces including all equipment, piping, etc., on the interior of all buildings included in the Contract; and to thoroughly clean all glass installed under the Contract including the removal of all paint and mortar splatter and other defacements. If a Contractor fails to clean up at the completion of the Work, the City may do so and charge for costs thereof to the Contractor in accordance with these General Conditions.
- 16.5 Erosion Control: During and at completion of the Work, the Contractor shall prevent site soil erosion, the runoff of silt and/or debris carried by water from the site, and the blowing of dust or debris off the site in accordance with the applicable requirements and standards of the Virginia Erosion and Sediment Control Handbook, latest edition, and of the Contract Documents.

SECTION 17. PROTECTING PERSONS AND PROPERTY

- 17.1 Protection on Site: The Contractor expressly undertakes both directly and through its Subcontractor(s), to take every reasonable precaution at all times for the protection of all persons and property which may come on the jobsite or be affected by the Contractor's operation in connection with the Work.
- **17.2 Safety and Health Precautions:** The Contractor shall be solely responsible for initiating, maintaining, and supervising all safety and health precautions and programs in connection with the Work, including but not limited to provision of appropriate sanitation facilities, if applicable.
- 17.3 Protecting the Public: The Contractor shall in all cases protect the public and the Work, during its execution, by posting and maintaining, at its expense, appropriate signs, barricades, barriers, lights, flagmen, and other safety devices in accordance with the current edition of the "Virginia Work Area Protection Manual".

- 17.4 Protecting the Work and Adjacent Property: The Contractor shall continuously maintain adequate protection of all the Work from damage and shall protect the City's property from injury or loss arising in connection with this Contract. The Contractor shall adequately protect adjacent property to prevent any damage to it or loss of use and enjoyment by its owners. The Contractor shall provide and maintain all passageways, guard fences, lights, and other facilities for protection required by public authority, local conditions, any of the Contract Documents or erected for the fulfillment of its obligations for the protection of persons and property.
- 17.5 Emergencies: In an emergency affecting the safety or life of persons or of the Work, or of the adjoining property, the Contractor, without special instruction or authorization from City, shall act, at Contractor's discretion, to prevent such threatened loss or injury. Also, should Contractor, to prevent threatened loss or injury, be instructed or authorized to act by City, Contractor shall so act immediately, without appeal.

SECTION 18. DAMAGES TO THE WORK AREA

- **18.1 Damage to the Work:** The Contractor shall have charge of and be solely responsible for the entire Work and be liable for all damages to the Work including, but not limited to any of the damages hereafter mentioned, and to any property in the vicinity of the Work, until its completion and acceptance by City.
 - a. Where the work involves alterations, renovations, or modifications to any existing building, the Contractor shall familiarize itself with the structural condition of such building before proceeding with any work. It shall be the Contractor's responsibility to take all necessary safeguards to protect and maintain all parts of the building in a safe condition at all times during the process of construction and to protect from damage those portions of the building that are to remain.
 - **b.** Under no condition shall any load be placed on any part of a building, whether new or existing, in excess of the load the structure will safely support, and no structural member(s) shall be cut or altered without the written consent of City.
 - c. The Contractor shall conduct all operations in such a manner as to avoid damage to existing work and surfaces within any existing building that are to remain. Any and all damaged work and surfaces shall be repaired, replaced, or restored to their original condition at the time when this work was started, and the expense of such work shall be borne by the Contractor.
- **18.2 Damage to Utilities:** The respective Utility Company shall be given a minimum of forty-eight (48) hours notice prior to any adjustment of utilities, and the Contractor shall comply with the provisions of the Virginia Underground Utilities Damage Prevention Act, Section 56-265.14 et seq., of the Code of Virginia.

- Damages that may occur to the utilities during the Work shall be the sole responsibility of the Contractor.
- **18.3** Relocation of Utilities: Should any utilities require adjustment during the Work, it shall be the Contractor's responsibility to have such utilities relocated as a part of the Work and to contact and cooperate with the respective Utility Company in performance of such operations.
- 18.4 Damage to Other Work and Existing Structures: The Contractor shall take into account all other work which shall be done by other parties on the jobsite, either now known or which may become necessary during the progress of the Work, and shall be responsible for any damage done to the other work. Damage to concrete curbs, gutters, sidewalks, or any existing facility that may occur during the construction shall be repaired or replaced by the Contractor, at its sole expense, as directed by and to the satisfaction of City.
- **18.5 Weather Damage:** Damage with respect to the Work caused by the weather shall be the responsibility of the Contractor.
- **18.6 Blasting:** Any damage that may occur due to blasting shall be the sole responsibility of the Contractor.

SECTION 19. CHANGES IN THE WORK

- 19.1 Changes in Drawings and Specifications: The City reserves the right to make such changes in the drawings and specifications and in the character of the Work as may be necessary or desirable to ensure completion in the most satisfactory manner, provided such changes do not materially alter the original plans and specifications or change the general nature of the Work as a whole. Such changes shall not be considered as waiving or invalidating any condition or provision of the Contract and Bonds. Such changes shall be issued by City to Contractor.
- 19.2 Changes in Quantities: The City reserves the right to make changes in the quantities of the Work, as may be considered necessary or desirable and such changes shall not be considered as waiving or invalidating any conditions or provisions of the Contract or Bonds. The Contractor shall perform the Work as altered, whether increased or decreased, and no allowances shall be made for anticipated profits. Payment to the Contractor for the changes in the quantities of work shall be made only for the actual quantities of work performed and material furnished at the unit prices set forth in the Contract, except as provided below.
 - a. When the quantity of work to be done or of material to be furnished under any item of the Contract is more than 125 percent of the quantity stated in the Contract, then either party to the Contract, upon demand, shall be entitled to negotiate for revised consideration on the portion of work above 125 percent of the quantity stated in the Contract.

- **b.** When the quantity of work to be done or of material to be furnished under any item of the Contract is less than 75 percent of the quantity stated in the Contract, then either party to the Contract, upon demand, shall be entitled to negotiate for revised consideration on the Work performed.
- c. Any consideration after that as set forth above shall be paid for as is hereinafter provided under Section 19.7. The foregoing notwithstanding, the quantity of work to be done or of material to be furnished under any item of the Contract, or the total original Contract shall not be increased more than 25 percent or reduced by more than 25 percent without the written consent of the Contractor and City.
- 19.3 Changes in the Work: No change with respect to the Work, except in an emergency situation threatening life or property, shall be made by the Contractor without the prior written approval of the City. The Contractor shall deliver any request for a change in the Work, Contract price, and/or completion time in writing to City within ten (10) calendar days of the occurrence requiring the change. The Contractor shall be required to certify the cause of the change order and, if appropriate, length of time involved. Payment for such changes approved by City shall be as set forth in Section 19.7. This written request is a condition precedent to the consideration of any such request by the City.

19.4 Delays:

- In the event a delay is caused by the City, any other separate contractor a. employed by the City, or any party for whom the Contractor deems the City responsible, or the agents and employees of any of them, the Contractor shall inform the City immediately at the time of the occurrence by the fastest means available and shall give written notice within a reasonable time, not to exceed ten (10) calendar days. The Contractor's notice to City shall specify the nature of the delay claimed by the Contractor, the cause of the delay, and the impact of the delay on the Contractor's work schedule to the fullest extent possible. The City will, within a reasonable time, not to exceed ten (10) calendar days, respond to the Contractor's notice with a resolution, remedy, or direction to alleviate the delay or with a notice rejecting the claim for delay alleged to be caused by the City or parties for whom the City is responsible. If the delay is not then resolved, the Contractor may then submit a request for change order in accordance with Sections 19.3 and 19.5. In the event of other delays, the Contractor shall give the City written notice within ten (10) calendar days of the occurrence causing the delay.
- **b.** No extension of time or compensation shall be allowed for a delay if the Contractor failed to give notice in the manner and within the time

prescribed in Subsection 19.4 (a). Furthermore, no extension of time shall be given or additional compensation allowed for any delay unless a claim therefore is made in writing to the City, within ten (10) calendar days of the occurrence causing the delay. The claim shall state the cause of the delay, the number of days of extension requested, and any compensation requested by the Contractor. The Contractor shall report the termination of the delay to the City not less than ten (10) calendar days after such termination. Failure to give notice of either the inception or the termination of the cause of delay or failure to present a claim for extension of time and/or monetary compensation within the times prescribed are conditions precedent to the assertion of any such claims by Contractor and shall constitute a waiver by Contractor of any such claims for compensation or extension based upon that cause.

- c. Requests for compensation for delays must be substantiated by itemized data and records clearly showing that the work delayed were progressing according to the approved schedule and that the costs are directly attributable to the delay in the Work claimed. The Contractor shall provide written schedules demonstrating how the Work being delayed affects the approved schedule.
- **d.** No extension of time, additional compensation, or change in the Contract price shall be allowed for any delays caused in whole or in part by the Contractor, any subcontractors, or any supplier. (For unavoidable justified delays, see Section 19.9 of these General Conditions.)
- 19.5 Change Orders: All change orders must indicate that the Contract Time for Completion is not changed or is either increased or decreased by a specific number of days. Any change or requested change in the Contract price shall also be included in the change order. The Contractor must provide written justification for an extension of the Time for Completion to City and to the City. The written justification must demonstrate an anticipated actual increase in the time required to complete the Work beyond that allowed by the Contract as adjusted by prior change orders or amendments to the Contract, not just an increase or decrease in the time needed to complete some portion of the total Work. When a Critical Path Method (CPM) schedule is required by the Contract. or is used for the convenience of the Contractor, no increase to the Time for Completion shall be allowed unless, and then only to the extent that, the additional or changed Work increases the length of the critical path. Approved increases in time required to complete the Work shall be added to the Time for Decreases in time as a result of the change order shall be Completion. demonstrated by a decrease in the critical path of the work if CPM scheduling is properly used and updated by the Contractor. If not, the City shall determine the appropriate decrease by the best means possible. Approved decreases in the time needed to complete the Work shall be deducted from the Contract completion date. The change to time or Contract price allowed by each change order shall include all time and monetary impacts of the change, whether the

change order is considered alone or with all other changes during the course of the project. Failure to include a change to time and/or Contract price in a change order shall waive any claims the Contractor may have for any change to the time and/or Contract price unless the parties mutually agree in writing to postpone a determination of the change to time and price resulting from the change order. Such a determination may be postponed not more than forty-five (45) calendar days to give the Contractor an opportunity to demonstrate a change in the time and/or price needed to complete the Work. However, the Contractor shall continue with the Work as may be directed by City and shall not stop work on the Project unless directed to do so by City.

- 19.6 Extra Work: The City reserves the right to make alterations or changes in the Work as the Work progresses. When any work is necessary to the proper completion of the project which was not provided for in the Contract, the Contractor shall do such work, but only when and as ordered in writing by City. Payment for such extra work shall be made as hereinafter provided in Section 19.7.
- 19.7 Payment Methods for Extra Work: The extra work done by the Contractor as authorized and approved by City shall be paid for in the manner hereinafter described; and the compensation thus provided shall be accepted by the Contractor as payment in full for all labor, material, tools, equipment, incidentals, all superintendents' and timekeepers' services, all insurance, bonds, and all other reasonable overhead expenses incurred in the performance of the extra work. Payment for extra work may be made by one of the following methods, as agreed on in writing by City and the Contractor before said extra work is commenced, subject to all other conditions of the Contract:
 - a. Unit prices; or
 - **b.** Lump sum price; or
 - c. The cost of change in work plus ten percent (10%) of allowable costs. Allowable costs for purposes of this paragraph shall only include labor, material, sales tax, the rental of power tools and equipment actually used, or a reasonable price for the use of power tools and equipment owned by the Contractor based upon their life expectancy and purchase price, utilities, pro rata charges for foremen, and all payroll charges such as employer's FICA contribution, Public Liability and Workers' Compensation Insurance, but only if all such costs are incurred as the direct result of the changes in the Work. The change in cost for labor and material bonds and for performance bonds relative to the value of the extra work shall be allowable cost but shall not be marked up. If any subcontractor at any tier does all or part of the Work, the subcontractor's markup on that Work shall be fixed at fifteen percent (15%) of the allowable cost as defined herein.

- 19.8 Disputed Claims for Extra Work: If one of the payment methods set forth in Section 19.7 is not agreed on by City, the City may retain either an independent contractor to perform such extra work or use its own forces to perform such extra work and the Contractor shall cooperate fully with the independent contractor or City in its performance of the extra work. However, City may also direct Contractor to perform such extra work and any dispute will be handled as set forth in Section 31 of these General Conditions.
- 19.9 Change in Contract Time or Contract Price: The Contractor may request an extension of time or change in the Contract price should the Work be obstructed or delayed by any justified unavoidable delays not caused in whole or in part by the Contractor, any subcontractor, or suppliers. However, delays caused by weather conditions will not be considered justified unavoidable delays unless they are caused by unusual weather as set forth in Section 4.2 of the Instructions to Bidders, in which case only an extension of time may be considered by City, but no additional compensation will be allowed for unusual weather. Furthermore, Contractor agrees that for any delays not caused by the City or any delays beyond the control of the City, no additional compensation will be due the Contractor and no change in the Contract price will be allowed by the City, only an extension of the Contract time will be considered by the City. The Contractor shall deliver requests for changes in the Contract price and/or completion time in writing to City within ten (10) calendar days of the occurrence requiring the change. Approved changes that alter the time of the Contract shall extend the completion time by a period equivalent to the certified time lost by such occurrence. No change in Contract price and/or completion time shall be allowed if the above notice has not been properly given, such notice being a condition precedent to any such request by the Contractor. However, the Contractor shall continue with the Work as may be directed by City and shall not stop work on the Project unless directed to do so by City.

SECTION 20. PAYMENT FOR WORK

- **20.1 Monthly Construction Estimates:** Monthly construction estimates shall be submitted to City, no more than once every thirty (30) calendar days.
- 20.2 Preparing Progress Payment Requests: In preparing construction estimates, the Contractor may request a progress payment based on the actual percentage of work completed during the preceding month. The estimate shall contain a breakdown of the total Contract amount; to include a separate breakdown of all approved change orders, into principal items of construction, showing the estimated quantity, unit price, and total for each item. In preparing progress payment requests, the material delivered on the site and preparatory work done may be taken into consideration, if properly documented, or as may be required by City so that quantities can be verified. In addition to material delivered on the site, material such as large pieces of equipment and items purchased specifically for the project, but stored off the site, may be considered for payment, provided prior written approval is given by City.

- 20.3 Progress Payments: The City will make a progress payment to the Contractor on the basis of a duly certified and approved progress payment request for the work performed under the Contract. In the event that the City disagrees with the monthly construction progress payment request submitted by the Contractor, or in the event the As-Built Drawings are not being kept current, the City may withhold all or a portion of the progress payment until such dispute is resolved to the satisfaction of the City. If there are any objections or problems with the progress payment request, the City will notify the Contractor of such matters. If the progress payment request is approved by the City, payment will be made by the City to the Contractor not more than thirty (30) calendar days after such request has been approved. However, if there is an objection or problem with a progress payment request, the Contractor shall continue with the Work as may be directed by City and shall not stop work on the Project unless directed to do so by City. Any such disputes shall be handled as set forth in Section 31 of these General Conditions.
- **20.4 Retainage:** To ensure proper performance of the Contract, the City shall retain, unless stipulated otherwise, five percent (5%) of each progress payment until Final Acceptance of all work covered by the Contract. The Contractor may request that such retainage be paid into an escrow account on certain Contracts, pursuant to Section 2.2-4334 of the Code of Virginia. (See also Sections 6.2 and 14.6 of Instructions to Bidders.)
- 20.5 Ownership of Material and Work: All material and work covered by progress payments shall become the property of the City. This provision shall not relieve the Contractor from the responsibility for all material and to maintain all completed work and to repair all damaged work. The Contractor shall not deem a progress payment as a waiver to complete the terms of the Contract or shift the risk of loss from the Contractor to the City. The Contractor warrants that Contractor has good title to all material, equipment, and supplies which Contractor uses in the Work or for which Contractor accepts payment in whole or in part.
- 20.6 Payments to Others by Contractor: The Contractor agrees that Contractor will comply with the requirements of Section 2.2-4354 of the Code of Virginia regarding Contractor's payment to other entities and that Contractor will take one of the two actions permitted therein within seven (7) calendar days after receipt of amounts paid to Contractor by the City. The Contractor agrees that Contractor shall indemnify and hold the City harmless for any lawful claims resulting from failure of the Contractor to make prompt payments to all persons supplying him equipment, labor, tools, or material in prosecution and completion of the Work provided for in the Contract. In the event of such claims, the City may, after providing written notice to the Contractor, withhold from any progress and/or final payment the unpaid sum of money deemed sufficient to pay all lawful claims and associated costs in connection with the Contract.
- **20.7 Final Payment:** Within thirty (30) calendar days after the Final Acceptance of the Work, the City shall pay the Contractor the Final Payment, less all prior

payments, damages, setoffs, liquidated damages, any amounts withheld from retainage, or any other amounts Contractor may owe the City for any reason whatever.

- 20.8 Payment and Acceptance: No payment, final or otherwise, nor partial or entire use, occupancy, or acceptances of the Work by the City shall be an acceptance of any work or material not in accordance with the Contract, nor shall the same relieve the Contractor of any responsibility for any faulty material or workmanship or operate to release the Contractor or its surety from any obligation under the Contract or the Performance Bond or the Labor and Material Payment Bond.
- **20.9 Right to Audit:** The Contractor agrees that the City, and any approving Federal or State Agency or any of their duly authorized representatives, shall have access to any books, documents, papers, records, schedules and electronic data of the Contractor which are pertinent to this Project for the purpose of making an audit, examinations, excerpts, copies or transcriptions and that Contractor will provide copies of such items to City upon City's request, at no cost to City.

SECTION 21. LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

If liquidated damages are provided by the Contract, the following provisions shall apply:

- a. Subject to the provisions of the General Conditions granted for extension of time allowed for completion of the Work, if the Work is not substantially completed by the date required in the Contract, the Contractor shall owe to the City, not as a penalty but as step one liquidated damages, the sum stated in the Contract for step one liquidated damages for each and every calendar day of delay in substantial completion.
- **b.** Once the Work is substantially complete, the accrual of step one liquidated damages shall stop and the Contractor shall have thirty (30) calendar days in which to achieve Final Acceptance of the Work.
- c. If Final Acceptance of the Work is not achieved by the thirtieth (30th) calendar day after substantial completion, and if any extension of time is not granted by the City, the Contractor shall owe to the City, not as a penalty but as step two liquidated damages, the sum stated in the Contract as step two liquidated damages for each and every calendar day of delay in Final Acceptance. All such liquidated damages set forth in this Section 21 are in addition to any other damages the City may be entitled to recover from the Contractor.

SECTION 22. INSPECTION FOR SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION AND FINAL ACCEPTANCE

22.1 Substantial Completion: The Contractor shall notify the City, in writing, that the Work will be ready for inspection to determine if it is substantially complete and ready for testing on or after a certain date, which date shall be stated in the notice. The notice shall be given at least ten (10) calendar days in advance of said date and shall be forwarded through City. Inspection and testing shall take

place at a time mutually agreeable to the Contractor and City. The inspection shall determine if substantial completion has been accomplished. If so, City will issue a Certificate of Substantial Completion and attach a written list of unfinished Work and defective Work, commonly referred to as a "punch list", which must be finished and corrected to obtain Final Acceptance.

- 22.2 Request for Final Acceptance: The Contractor shall notify City, in writing, that the Work will be ready for final inspection and testing on or after a certain date, which date shall be stated in the notice. That inspection and any necessary testing shall be conducted in the same manner as the inspection for substantial completion. When the Work is finally and totally complete, including the elimination of all known deficiencies, the Work shall be finally accepted by the City and final payment shall be made in accordance with Section 20.7 of these General Conditions.
- **22.3 Final Inspection:** City will conduct the final inspection, and may elect to have other persons of its choosing also participate in the inspection. If one or more reinspection is required, the Contractor shall reimburse the City for all costs of reinspection or, at the City's option, the costs may be deducted from payments due to the Contractor.
- **22.4 As-Built Drawings:** No Contract retainage will be released prior to receipt of all approved As-Built Drawings.
- 22.5 Final Acceptance: Upon successful completion of the final inspection and all Work required by the Contract, including but not limited to the delivery of the following documents and items; As-Built drawings, operation and maintenance manuals, written warranties, Certificate of Substantial Completion, Affidavit of Payment of Claims, and MBE/WBE/SB/VB Usage Status Form, City will furnish a written Certificate of Final Acceptance of the Work to the Contractor. City may accept the Work for occupancy or use while asserting claims against the Contractor, disputing the amount of compensation due to the Contractor, disputing the quality of the Work, its completion, or its compliance with the Contract Documents, and the like.
- **22.6 Release By Contractor:** The acceptance by the Contractor of the final payment or a payment designated as such shall be and does operate as a release by the Contractor of all claims by the Contractor against City and of all other liability of the City to the Contractor whatever, including liability for all things done or furnished in connection with the Work or the Contract.

SECTION 23. WARRANTY OF MATERIAL AND WORKMANSHIP

23.1 The Contractor warrants that, unless otherwise specified, all material and equipment incorporated in the Work under the Contract shall be new, in first class condition, and in accordance with the Contract Documents. The Contractor further warrants that all workmanship shall be of the highest quality and in

- accordance with the Contract Documents and shall be performed by persons qualified at their respective trades.
- **23.2** Work not conforming to these warranties shall be considered defective.
- 23.3 These warranties of material and workmanship are separate and independent from and in addition to any of the Contractor's other guarantees or obligations in this Contract or that may arise by law.

SECTION 24. GUARANTEE OF WORK

- **24.1 Two Year Warranty:** The Contractor does warrant and guarantee the Work against defects or deficiencies in the Work and in all material, equipment, and workmanship for a period of two (2) years from the date of Final Acceptance.
- **24.2 Defective Work:** The Contractor agrees it shall repair or replace, at Contractor's sole expense, and to the satisfaction of City, any work, material, equipment, or part that is found, by City, to be defective.
- **24.3 Repairs:** If, within any guarantee period, defects are noticed by City which require repairs or changes in connection with the guaranteed work, those repairs or changes being in the determination of City rendered necessary as the result of the use of material, equipment, or workmanship which is defective, inferior, or not in accordance with the terms of the Contract, then the Contractor shall, promptly upon receipt of notice from City, such notice being given not more than four weeks after the expiration of any such guarantee period, and without any expense to the City:
 - **a.** Place in satisfactory condition all guaranteed work and correct all defects therein; and
 - **b.** Make good all damage to the structure, site, equipment, or contents thereof, which in the determination of City is the result of the use of material, equipment, or workmanship which are inferior, defective, or not in accordance with the terms of the Contract; and
 - **c.** Make good any work or material or the equipment and contents of structures or the site disturbed in fulfilling any such guarantee.
- **24.4 Warranty Extension:** In any case, where in fulfilling the requirements of the Contract or any guarantee embraced in or required thereby, the Contractor disturbs, damages or repairs any work guaranteed under the Contract, Contractor shall restore such work to a condition satisfactory to City and guarantee such restored work to the same extent and for a like additional period of time as it was originally guaranteed under this Contract.
- **24.5 Correction of Defects:** If the Contractor, after notice, fails to proceed promptly, but in no event longer than thirty (30) calendar days after such notice, unless otherwise agreed to by City, to comply with the terms of the guarantee and/or

- correct the Work, the City may have the defects corrected by its own forces or another contractor and the Contractor and its surety shall be liable for all costs and expenses incurred in doing so.
- 24.6 Nothing contained in this section shall be construed to establish a period of limitation with respect to any other obligation which the Contractor might have under the Contract Documents or the law of Virginia, including liability for defective work.

SECTION 25. STOP WORK ORDER

In the event that conditions exist such that no work can or should continue, other than the routine closing of the site, the Contractor may submit to City a request to stop work or City on its own may issue a Stop Work Order. City designee will, if he/she approves the request or issues the order himself/herself, deliver a written "Stop Work Order" to the Contractor stipulating the effective date and the Contract time remaining. The Work, other than the routine closing of the site, and Contract time shall not again be started until a written "Resume Work Order" is received by the Contractor from City. When the Work is stopped at the request of the Contractor and through no fault of the Contractor, the Contractor may only recover from the City payment for the cost of the Work actually performed, together with reasonable overhead and profit thereon up to that time, but profit shall be recovered only to the extent that the Contractor can demonstrate that it would have had profit on the entire Contract if it had completed the Work. The Contractor may not receive profit or any other type of compensation for parts of the Work not performed, including, but not limited to, home office overhead or any other such costs. The Contractor may also recover the actual cost of physically closing down the jobsite, but no other costs of the Stop Work Order. The City may offset any claims it may have against the Contractor against the amounts due to the Contractor. In no event shall the Stop Work Order to the Contractor relieve in any way the obligations of the Contractor's surety on its payment and performance bonds. When work is stopped by City due to any fault of the Contractor, the Contractor may not recover any of the above costs or items or any other costs, profits, expenses, or damages of any type.

SECTION 26. TERMINATION OF CONTRACT FOR CAUSE

26.1 Termination for Cause: If the Contractor should be adjudged a bankrupt, or if it should make a general assignment for the benefit of its creditors, or if a receiver should be appointed on account of its insolvency, the City may terminate the Contract. If the Contractor should refuse or should fail, except in cases for which extension of time is provided, to supply enough properly skilled workmen or proper material, or if it should fail to make prompt payment to subcontractors or suppliers of material or labor, or disregard laws, ordinances, or the written instructions of City, or otherwise fails to comply with any of the terms or provisions of this Contract including, but not limited to, poor services, work or material, then the City may terminate this Contract. In no event shall termination for cause terminate the obligations of the Contractor's surety on its payment and performance bonds.

- 26.2 Possession of Work: Upon termination of the Contract, the City may take possession of the premises and of all material, tools, and appliances thereon and finish the Work by whatever method the City may deem expedient. In such case the Contractor shall not be entitled to receive any further payment of any type. If the expense of finishing the Work, including compensation for additional managerial and administrative services, shall exceed the unpaid balance of the Contract price, the Contractor shall pay the difference to the City, together with any other cost or expenses of terminating the Contract and having it completed by others, together with any and all other damages City may be entitled to from the Contractor.
- **26.3 Alternative Termination:** If it should be judicially determined that the City improperly terminated this Contract for cause, then the termination shall be deemed to be a termination for the convenience of the City.
- **26.4 Termination Rights:** Termination of this Contract under Section 26 or Section 27 is without prejudice and in addition to any other rights or remedies of the City against the Contractor.

SECTION 27. TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE OF CITY

- 27.1 Termination for Convenience: The City, at its discretion, may terminate this Contract at any time without cause, in whole or in part, upon giving the Contractor written notice of such termination. Upon such termination, the Contractor shall immediately cease work and remove from the jobsite all of its labor forces, equipment, and material as City elect not to purchase or to assume in the manner hereinafter provided. Upon such termination, the Contractor shall take such steps as City may require assigning to the City the Contractor's interest in all subcontracts and purchase orders designated by City. After all such steps have been taken to City's satisfaction; the Contractor shall receive as full compensation for termination and assignment only the following:
 - **a.** All amounts then otherwise due under the terms of this Contract for actual work performed and approved by City; and
 - b. Reasonable compensation for the actual cost of demobilization incurred by the Contractor as a direct result of such termination. The Contractor shall not be entitled to any compensation for lost profits or for any other type of contractual compensation or damage, other than those provided by the preceding sentence, including any on site or home office overhead. Upon payment of the foregoing, City shall have no further liabilities or obligations to Contractor of any nature.
- **27.2 Termination Effect on Surety:** In no event shall termination for the convenience of the City terminate the obligation of the Contractor's surety on its payment and performance bonds.

SECTION 28. PRECONSTRUCTION CONFERENCE

City shall notify the Contractor as to the location, date, and time of a preconstruction conference to confirm procedures for processing construction estimates for payment and related submissions and to discuss other matters pertaining to scheduling and execution of the Work.

SECTION 29. PROJECT SIGN(S)

The Contractor shall supply, erect, and maintain Project Sign(s) in accordance with the City of Roanoke Standard Detail. The sign(s) shall be located as directed by City. The Contractor shall not display any other signs or advertisements.

SECTION 30. ASSIGNMENTS

The Contractor shall not assign, in whole or in part, any of its rights, duties, or obligations under this Contract with the City without the prior written consent of the City.

SECTION 31. CONTRACTUAL DISPUTES

Contractual claims, whether for money or for other relief, including any disputes as to change orders or extra work, shall be submitted, in writing, no later than sixty (60) calendar days after final payment or payment designated as a final payment; however, written notice of the Contractor's intention to file such claim must be given at the time of the occurrence or beginning of the work upon which the claim is based. Such notice is a condition precedent to the assertion of any such claim by the Contractor. A written decision upon any such claims will be made by the City Manager or his/her designee (hereafter City Manager) within thirty (30) calendar days after submittal of the claim and any practically available additional supporting evidence required by the City Manager. The Contractor may not institute legal action prior to receipt of the City's decision on the claim unless the City Manager fails to render such decision within one hundred twenty (120) calendar days from submittal of its claim. The decision of the City Manager shall be final and conclusive unless the Contractor within six (6) months of the date of the final decision on a claim or from expiration of the 120 day time limit, whichever occurs first, initiates legal action as provided in Section 2.2 - 4364, of the Code of Virginia. Failure of the City to render a decision within said one hundred twenty (120) calendar days shall not result in the Contractor being awarded the relief claimed nor shall it result in any other relief or penalty. The sole result of the City's failure to render a decision within said one hundred twenty (120) calendar days shall be Contractor's right to immediately institute legal action. No administrative appeals procedure pursuant to Section 2.2 - 4365, of the Code of Virginia, has been established for contractual claims under this Contract.

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